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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Sat 8/15/2015 8:45:45 PM  
**Subject:** Fw: Region 9 8/9 Data without MCLs

Just waiting for final sign-off from EOC on this data and language, but it should be posted as soon as we have it signed off.

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 15, 2015 3:58 PM  
**To:** Harrison, Melissa; EOC Public Information; Hull, George  
**Subject:** Re: Region 9 8/9 Data without MCLs

Ok.

EOC - please let us know when it's approved.

Copying Jeff Morin who we will need to help get this posted online with the following language.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
August 15, 2015

## **EPA Statement on San Juan River Data from Gold King Mine Release**

SHIPROCK, NEW MEXICO - Today, EPA has released additional water quality data from Aug. 7 to Aug. 9, 2015, on the San Juan River between Farmington and Shiprock, New Mexico. The August 7 data was collected for baseline purposes to understand river conditions at the Hogback monitoring location, prior to the impact of the upstream contaminants from the Gold King Mine release.

To assess the impacts of the release at the Gold King Mine, water quality samples were collected at four locations for 24 metals. Each surface water sample was analyzed for metals including arsenic, cadmium, lead and mercury.

Due to the highly variable conditions typical of this segment of the river, additional testing will be conducted, and we continue to work closely with the Navajo Nation EPA on assessing drinking water, agriculture, livestock, and other critical water needs.

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**From:** Harrison, Melissa  
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Yes. It has been corrected to remove the MCLs

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**From:** Purchia, Liz  
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**To:** Harrison, Melissa; EOC Public Information; Hull, George  
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Is this Navajo data that needs to be approved by the EOC?

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**From:** Harrison, Melissa  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 15, 2015 3:44 PM  
**To:** EOC Public Information; Purchia, Liz; Hull, George  
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Data for the messaging.

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**From:** Burgo, Daniel  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 15, 2015 3:43 PM  
**To:** Harrison, Melissa  
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